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## **NEWS RELEASE**

**TO:** Area Media Outlets

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RE: Non-Safety Related Voluntary Recall of Certain Lots of Sanofi Pasteur H1N1 Pediatric

(0.25 mL, for 6-36 month olds) Vaccine in Pre-Filled Syringes.

**RUN:** Immediate Release

Bay County Health Department has been alerted by the CDC that there has been a non-safety related voluntary recall of certain lots of Sanofi Pasteur H1N1 pediatric (0.25 mL, for 6-36 month olds) vaccine in pre-filled syringes. Sanofi Pasteur, the maker of the H1N1 vaccine, is recalling about 800,000 doses of the pediatric H1N1 vaccine because tests found the potency was too weak to effectively protect against the virus. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Federal Drug Administration are in agreement that the small decrease in potency is unlikely to result in a clinically significant reduction in immune response among persons who have received the vaccine. For this reason, there is no need to revaccinate persons who have received vaccine from these lots. Neither the Bay County Health Department nor any of its provider partners in Bay County has administered the recalled lots of this vaccine.

Please visit Bay County Health Department's website at <a href="www.baycounty-mi.gov/Health">www.baycounty-mi.gov/Health</a> or call our Health Information Line at (989) 895-4192 for up-to-date information regarding H1N1 vaccine.